

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application and entry of the foregoing Amendment is respectfully requested.

The foregoing Amendment is necessary for proper protection of the invention and requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the United States Patent Office because:

- (1) The forgoing amendment is submitted to correct typographic errors present in the Third Supplemental Amendment filed April 21, 2000;
- (2) The forgoing amendment requires no additional search or examination because it merely corrects the typographical errors found in the equation of claim 39 incorrectly setting forth the adjusting parameter described in the specification and correctly recited in claim 43;
- (3) Claim 39, as amended, correctly recites the plating parameter B^2 of the means for adjusting the plating parameter. The means for adjusting limitations were added to claim 39 pursuant to the Examiner's request during his telephone conference with Victor Johnson on April 6, 2000. Applicants submit that claim 39, as amended, is allowable over the prior art for at least the same reasons as allowed claim 43; and
- (4) The foregoing amendment was not presented earlier because the typographical errors were discovered upon review by Applicants after the filing of the Third Supplemental Amendment.

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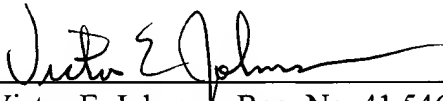
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Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the foregoing Amendment. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, the personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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